

Shades of Joseph Goebbels! It would seem to me that you are obliged to intervene in the rampant advancement of Fascism on the Public Airwaves of America.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

The use of these airwaves to force the airing of what is a blatantly partisan electioneering propaganda film is an illegal attempt to influence the outcome of the most critical election in several generations. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Acting in an illegal manner, "dirty tricks" that have become the hallmark of the Bush administration as seen repeatedly since their ascension (and before), they show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

Hoping that you will take any and all possible actions in this matter to preserve the fair and balanced use of the public airwaves in the best interests of the public trust, Thank You.